Colonist Contest Opens May 1

It's Acapulco for the Winner

Holiday in Mexico Top King Fisherman Prize

A Mexican holiday for two, including deep-sea fishing for marlin, sailfish and dolphin at the famed resort city of Acapulco, will be the top prize this year in The Daily Colonist's King Fisherman contest.

The contest opens on May 1 and ends Oct. 15.

Winner of the contest and one other person named by the winner will be flown by Canadian Pacific Airlines to Mexico City and from there to Acapulco some time next winter for an expenses-paid trip which will include accommodation at a leading resort hotel and arrangements for deep-sea fishing aboard a specially-chartered boat.

The holiday trip tops a prize list worth in excess of $3,000 and is the major hidden-weight prize. The size of the fish entered has no bearing on deciding the winner. Every entry has an equal chance of winning as long as the fish meets the minimum weight requirements of one pound for trout and small-mouth black bass and five pounds for all of the three salmon categories. And each fish entered means another chance to win the holiday trip to Mexico or any of the other prizes being offered.

Second prize in the end-of-contest hidden-weight draw will be a 12-foot Feather Craft aluminum cartop boat, and third prize, which is being donated by Edward Lipsett Ltd., will be an English-made Seachief outboard motor.

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ARABIA CLAIMS RIGHT TO CHANGE OIL PACTS

Battles Flame to Reach Explosion Victim

Blinding flames and dense smoke failed to thwart Joseph Garnham, 90 King George Terrace, yesterday, when he grabbed a fire extinguisher and battled a path to the side of Henning E. Jansen, who was seriously burned after an explosion at Rockgas Propane Ltd. See story, picture on Page 17.—(Colonist photo)

Ike's Choice

Herter Takes Over

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP)—Christian Herter was chosen by President Eisenhower Saturday to be state secretary. And Herter promised to "do the very best I can." (See Page 5.)

The widely-expected selection of the 64-year-old Herter for the cabinet post was announced by the president at a press conference at the Augusta National Golf Club. Herter was present.

Herter has been under-secretary since early in 1957. He succeeds John Foster Dulles whose resignation because of incapacitating cancer was accepted by Eisenhower last Wednesday.

Standing alongside Eisenhower before newsreel cameras and microphones, Herter said a few minutes after announcement of his appointment:

"I am deeply grateful to you, Mr. President, for the confidence you have shown in me. I shall do the very best I can."

The White House acknowledged for the first time that Eisenhower personally suggested to Herter last Monday that he undergo a physical checkup to determine whether he is up to the crushing grind of the No. 1 state department position.

Herter has had arthritis of the hips for the last 10 or 15 years and now walks most of the time with lightweight metal crutches to ease his discomfort.

Herter put it this way Saturday in response to questions:

"It is a handicap only if I stand for a long time or have to walk a great distance."

And he replied "not necessarily" when asked whether the arthritis might limit his travel.

Put 'Er There, Pal

Ready for anything that comes his way—unless the weather throws a curve at him—Steve Emerick, 14, of 1140 Queens, sniffed the summer air yesterday, grabbed his first-baseman's mitt and headed for the nearest baseball field. — (Colonist photo)

Firms Jolted; No Hint of Move

CAIRO (UPI)—Saudi Arabia jolted Western oilmen yesterday by asserting it could legally do anything it wanted with its oil concessions.

American Frank Hendricks, Saudi Arabia's top legal adviser, told the first Arab oil conference that any government could alter its oil contracts "in the interests of the citizens."

MUST PLEASE

The Arabian director-general of petroleum and mineral resources, Sheik Abdullah Tariki, backed up Hendricks.

"Any concession between a government and a company is not worth a darn if it does not please the people," he said.

However, neither Hendricks nor the sheik gave any indication that Saudi Arabia planned immediately to alter its oil agreements. The agreements, like those in other Arab nations, split oil profits on a 50-50 basis between the government and the company.

Some of the Western oil companies here have Arab oil concessions running into the next century. Their representatives at the league meeting have already felt Arab pressure for changing the agreements.

CHALLENGE LIKELY

Western representatives were expected to challenge Hendrick's declaration today. Hendricks, former Esso counsel in South America, made the speech to a conference committee.

Hendricks predicted a new wave of contract changes will come. He said those changes will be made in favor of the producer countries, giving them a bigger slice of the profits.

"The purpose for which governments exist — service of their peoples—requires that on proper occasions those governments must be released from or be able to overrule their contracts and obligations," Hendricks said.

GLENN McPHERSON

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Victoria-Vancouver

No Boost If Flying In Copter

VANCOUVER (CP)—President Glenn W. McPherson of Okanagan Helicopters says the fare on a proposed Vancouver-to-Victoria helicopter service would be the same as present air fare and bus charges.

Mr. McPherson told Okanagan's annual meeting here the company's proposed Fairey Rotodyne helicopter trip from downtown Vancouver to downtown Victoria would take 20 minutes.

Okanagan, which has an order for one of the first Rotodynes to come off the production line within the next two years, has applied to Ottawa for authority to establish a Vancouver-Victoria helicopter service.

The Rotodyne is a combination helicopter and conventional aircraft. It rises vertically with rotors, then switches to normal flight. It can carry up to 70 passengers.

Mr. McPherson said the cost of such a service would equal the present Trans-Canada Air Lines' fare and bus charges—a total of $14.70 return.

Car Roars Away

Bomb Tossed On Quiet Street

A home-made bomb, apparently tossed from a car, startled residents on Ross Street near Passmore Junction at 9.25 last night.

Christopher Burton, of 1617 Ross, said that after the blast he and several neighbors searched the area with flashlights and found a fragment of copper pipe, a smouldering piece of string he thought had been used as a fuse, and two pieces of burned matches.

"I thought someone fired a gun, until we found the fragments," he said. He was inside his home when he heard the explosion, he said, and as he ran out the front door "a car roared down Ross Street."

The vandals made a safe getaway. Police searched the area and later said the explosive appeared to have been a home-made bomb.

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Driver Held In Crashes

A 19-year-old driver was picked up for questioning by city police last night after a careening car heading into town side-swiped two outbound cars and forced another into the ditch on the Langford Street hill.

Police said cars driven by Harry Blodgett, 282 View Royal, and Thomas Madd, 714 Powderly, were sideswiped.

A few seconds later Charles Evans, 3427 Metchosin, was forced to drive off the road into the ditch.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR FRANK M. ROSS

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Mortimore Honored

Ross Named Man of Year

VANCOUVER (CP)—Lieutenant-Governor Frank M. Ross of British Columbia was named man of the year Saturday night at the Newsmen's Club of B.C. annual "Suds 'n' Skits."

Mr. Ross was chosen by the province's weekly and daily editors and radio and TV news editors.

The award was presented to the lieutenant-governor by last year's winner, Lawrie Wallace, who was then chairman of the B.C. centennial committee.

Tribute was paid to Mr. Ross for his tireless handling of many assignments connected with the centenary and the tour of Princess Margaret.

A $500 award, presented by the Powell River Company, was won by G. E. Mortimore of the Daily Colonist. Jack Cahill of the Vancouver Sun was given honorable mention.

Mr. Mortimore, who recently won the National Newspaper Award, was cited for a 52-article series on British Columbia's Indians. The series covered all aspects of native life.

The awards were presented by Harold Foley, chairman of the Powell River board.

Slip in Well Means Death

ABERDEEN, Miss. (AP)—Roger Sanders, 13, lowered into a 30-foot well to learn why the water was bad, caught his foot as he was being raised in the well bucket by his parents. He fainted, fell head first into the water and was drowned.

Man Stabbed

Murder Charged To Island Logger

CAMPBELL RIVER—A 47-year-old logger charged with murder of a co-worker on Redonda Island, 60 miles northeast of here, has been remanded without plea to Monday.

Edward Keen of Pendrell Sound was brought to Campbell River yesterday by RCMP and appeared before Magistrate P. E. Lewis.

He was charged in the knife-slaying of Frank Wilson, about 45, of the Churchhouse Indian community on the B.C. mainland.

KNIFE WOUND

Following a post mortem, Coroner Bathhurst Hall said death was caused by a narrow knife wound in the victim's chest.

Keen was reported to have telephoned Campbell River RCMP and told them of the death of his companion. Police who went to Pendrell Sound to investigate said they found the dead man lying in a pool of blood on his bed in an isolated shack.

Keen was formally charged after he was brought in the RCMP launch Massett to Campbell River accompanied by his dog. Later the dog, a Weimaraner, was sent to friends on Quadra Island.

HAND-LOGGERS

The victim's body was also brought here in Massett, taken to the Campbell River General Hospital and then to the morgue.

Both men were reported involved in a hand-logging operation on the island.

Police late yesterday returned to Redonda Island in search for witnesses.

Baby Born, Killed On Airline Flight

MEXICALI, Mexico (AP)—A baby was born aboard a Mexican airliner about 30 minutes before it exploded in flight Friday near Guaymas on the Gulf of California. The baby was killed along with 26 other passengers and crew of twin-engine C46.

An airline official at the scene of the wreckage said Saturday the baby was born either to Mrs. Anita Lugan of West Los Angeles or Mrs. Narcala Cazare of Tijuana, both of whom were in an advanced state of pregnancy.

Two Sparkling New Columns Join Colonist Features Today

Two sparkling and informative new columns appearing in The Daily Colonist today for the first time will be regular features in the future.

Jim Bishop, who wrote "The Day Lincoln Was Shot" and "The Day Christ Died," is a veteran columnist and reporter of leading U.S. newspapers and, according to the Gallup Poll, the most admired American in the field of literature. His first column appears today on Page 7.

Rudolph Flesch, author of "Why Johnny Can't Read," appears on Page 3 with his column "Conversation Piece," covering in simple and entertaining fashion whatever is current in the world of ideas and in literary and intellectual circles.